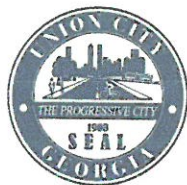


MINUTES



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, December 21, 2021

7:00 P.M.

In Council Chamber

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Vince R. Williams
Mayor Pro Tem Christina Hobbs
Councilmember Brian K. Jones
Councilmember Angelette Mealing
Councilmember Shayla J. Nealy
City Attorney - Dennis Davenport
Assistant City Manager - Tarsha Calloway
City Clerk - Shandrella Jewett

PRESENT:

Deputy City Clerk - Darryl Terry, II
Community Development Director - Ellis Still
Court Services Director - Kristie Tucker
Human Resources Director – Linda Warren
Park & Recreations Director - Lee Blich
Police Chief – Cassandra Jones
Public Services Director - Lonnie Ferguson

ABSENT:

City Manager - Sonja Fillingame

Fire Chief - Joe Maddox

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Invocation by Dr. Maya Taylor

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

On motion of Councilmember Mealing, seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried, the agenda was approved. Vote was unanimous.

IV. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC TO DISCUSS ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA: (2 MIN)

- Shaina Moreland, 5628 Liberty Road – Spoke regarding school zone sign at Liberty Point Elementary

V. PRESENTATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS OF AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Announcement and Recognition of Employee of the Month
Roger Dukes (Police Department) was selected as the Employee of the Month.
- Announcement and Recognition of the 2021 Employee of the Year Award
Ashley Davis (Police Department) was selected as the Employee of the Year.

- Announcement and Recognition of the Citizen of the Year Award
Denis and Kenya Ware was selected as Citizens of the Year.
- Induction and Pinning Ceremony of FY21-22 Youth Leadership Councilmembers
Osunyemi Perry (10th grade - Hapeville Charter Academy)
Timeelah Jones (10th grade - Hapeville Charter Academy)
Makayla Wiley (11th grade – Hapeville Charter Academy)
Jamel Williams (11th grade – Benjamin Banneker High School)
Imani Barker (12th grade – Langston Hughes High School)
Jaiden Barber (12th grade – Langston Hughes High School)
Anjola Adetola (11th grade – Benjamin Banneker High School)
Austin Moses (12th grade – Langston Hughes High School)
Ashlyn Hall (12th grade – Langston Hughes High School)
Gniyah Baker (11th grade – Hapeville Charter Academy)
Daad Eltigani (11th grade – Benjamin Banneker High School) – Not in attendance
Tyeshia Cost (11th grade – Benjamin Banneker High School) – Not in attendance
- Presentations to Councilmember Shayla J. Nealy

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

None

VII. CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be approved by one motion. No separate discussion will take place on these items. If discussion of any Consent Agenda item is desired, the item will be moved to the Regular Agenda for separate consideration.

- A. Council to approve the Work Session Minutes dated 11/16/21.
- B. Council to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated 11/16/21.
- C. Council to approve the submittal of a request to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation for the Traffic Signal Operations Program (SigOps) Coordination.
- D. Council to approve the submittal of a request to renew the agreement between the Union City Police Department and PowerDMS.
- E. Council to approve the submittal of a request to adopt a revised ordinance that permits municipalities to charge annual fees to insurance companies transacting business within city limits.
- F. Council to approve the submittal of a request for the Union City Municipal Court to renew the contract with Professional Probation Services.
- G. Council to approve the submittal of a request to donate \$1,500.00 to each of the following organizations: South Fulton Youth Arrows, Christian City Children's Village, Ms. Gussie's Place, Hope House, Next Level Boys Academy, and Zena's House.
- H. Council to approve the submittal of a request regarding the reappointment of Department Directors:

City Attorney:	McNally, Fox, Grant & Davenport
City Clerk:	Shandrella Jewett
City Engineer:	Atlas Technical Consultants, LLC
Fire Chief:	Chief Joe Maddox

Police Chief: Chief Cassandra Jones
Public Services Director: Lonnie Ferguson
Medical Director: Dr. O. Michael Obiekwe

- I. Council to approve the submittal of a request to re-appoint City Manager, Sonja Fillingame as a Board Member for the Middle Chattahoochee Regional Water & Sewer Authority.
- J. Council to approve the submittal of a request to appoint Councilmember Brian K. Jones as a Board Member for the Middle Chattahoochee Regional Water & Sewer Authority.
- K. Council to approve the submittal of a request to appoint the Mayor Pro Tem for 2022.
- L. Council to approve the submittal of a request to adopt a resolution of commitment as part of the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) 2022 TIP Project Solicitation Call for Projects.
- M. Council to approve the submittal of a request to adopt a resolution requesting the General Assembly adopt local legislation to create the Union City Public Facilities Authority.

On motion of Councilmember Mealing, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hobbs and carried, Council approved the Consent Agenda. Vote was unanimous.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Council to approve the submittal of a request to adopt a resolution of commitment as part of the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank (GTIB) Solicitation Call for Projects.

On motion of Councilmember Mealing, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hobbs and carried, Council approved and adopted the resolution. Vote was 3 to 1. Councilmember Jones voted against the item.

- B. Council to approve the submittal of a request to receive 5.6 acres of donated property that is divided into two parcels (north and south) of South Fulton Parkway and east of Cascade/Palmetto Highway.

On motion of Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Mealing and carried, Council approved and accepted the donated property. Vote was unanimous.

IX. PUBLIC HEARING(S):

- A. A **Public Hearing** for Council to approve the submittal of a request for an alcoholic beverage license application submitted by Jung IL Chung for on premise consumption of malt and vinous liquors with Sunday sales for Corner Café at 6810 Shannon Pkwy Suite E-1.

Britney Gordon (Union City's Budget/Tax Specialist) led the discussion regarding the above request.

Public Hearing Opened

No one came forth to speak

Public Hearing Closed

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Hobbs, seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried, Council approved the above request by Jung Il Chung. Vote was unanimous.

X. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

None

XI. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

None

XII. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Executive Session

XIII. REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL:

Comments by Councilmember Hobbs:

Congratulatory acknowledgements and remarks extended to:

- Roger Dukes (Police Department) for being selected as Employee of the Month
- Ashley Davis (Police Department) for being selected as Employee of the Year
- Denis & Kenya Ware for being selected as Citizens of the Year
- Youth Leadership Councilmembers for joining the Youth Leadership Council Program
- Public Services Director Ferguson and Staff for placing first in the Holiday Door Decorating Contest
- Councilwoman Shayla J. Nealy for 8 years of service to Union City
- Director and Staff for making Union City a place to live, work, and play

Remarks:

- Extended gratitude to Human Resources for the Thanksgiving Luncheon and Santa's Workshop
- Acknowledgements to Staff for the decorations in Mayors' Park and throughout the City
- Extended appreciation to Public Safety for increased recruitment of Police Officers & Firefighters
- Happy Holidays and Happy New Year

Comments by Councilmember Mealing:

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Remarks:

- Extended gratitude to Human Resources for the Thanksgiving Luncheon and Santa's Workshop
- Extended appreciation to UC Police for their participation in Shop with a Cop
- Recognized the non-profit organizations who received donations from Union City and the work they do in the community
- Acknowledged the progress of the construction of the Union City Skate Park
- Extended gratitude to the UC Fire Department for the fire safety video about tree safety and common holiday emergencies
- Recognized Public Safety workers for their commitment during the holiday season
- Happy Holidays and Happy New Year

Comments by Councilmember Jones:

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Remarks:

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- Acknowledgements to Staff for the decorations in Mayors' Park and throughout the City
- Extended appreciation to UC Police for their participation in Shop with a Cop
- Recognized the non-profit organizations who received donations from Union City and the work they do in the community
- Acknowledged the progress of the construction of the Union City Skate Park
- Recognized Directors and Staff for adjusting to the new normal of telework
- Happy Holidays and Happy New Year

Comments by Councilwoman Nealy:

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Remarks:

- Expressed pride in her family and their history of service
- Acknowledged her privilege to serve as a Councilmember for Union City
- Expressed pride in the accomplishments of the City for the past 8 years
- Expressed appreciation for COVID-19 response, testing availability, and Public Safety for working through the pandemic
- Recognized the non-profit organizations who received donations from Union City and the work they do in the community
- Expressed gratitude to Councilmember Hobbs, Jones, Mealing, Directors, and Staff
- Happy Holidays and Happy New Year

Comments by Mayor Williams:

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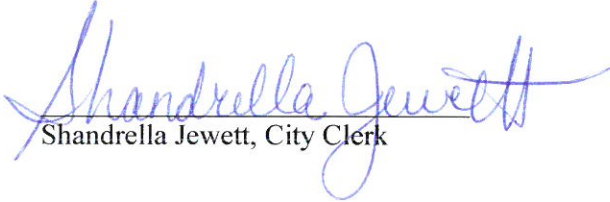
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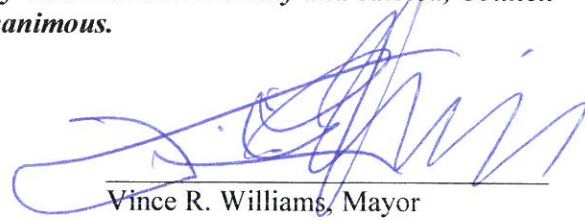
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XIV. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

On motion of Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Nealy and carried, Council adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Vote was unanimous.


Shandrella Jewett, City Clerk


Vince R. Williams, Mayor